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- 1. IN TERSE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED HERE EVENING OF JAN 2, GOL ANNOUNCED SYRIAN PRES ASSAD WILL MAKE OFFICIAL VISIT TO LEBANON ON TUES. JAN 7. ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWED MEETING SAME DAY IN BEKAA VALLEY BETWEEN PRES FRANGIE AND SARG FONMIN KHADDAM, ATTENDED BY VARIOUS HIGH-LEVEL CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OFFICIALS FROM BOTH GOVTS.
- 2. COMMENT: WE GATHER INITIATIVE FOR ASSAD VISIT COMES FROM SARG. SYRIAN MILITARY DELEGATION REPORTEDLY ARRIVED IN LEBANON TODAY TO DISCUSS SECURITY AND PROTOCOL ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT. AS FAR AS PROGRAM CONCERNED, WE THINK IT LIKELY THAT ASSAD-FRANGIE DISCUSSIONS WILL FOCUS PRIMARILY ON PROBLEMS ARISING FROM RECENT UPSURGE OF ISRAELI ATTACKS IN SOUTH LEBANON AND ON GOL'S SEARCH FOR MEANS (INCLUDING ADDITIONAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT) TO COUNTER SUCH ATTACKS.

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